



County Seat: Fort Benton

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Part of the Rocky Boy's Reservation is in Chouteau County.

DEMOGRAPHICS	Chouteau					Montana				
Area	3,973 square miles					145,552 square miles				
Population Density and Status	1.4/ sq. mi. (frontier)					6.3/ sq. mi. (10 rural, 45 frontier, 1 urban)				
Urban Population ¹	0.0%					54.1%				
Population ² :	Male	Female	White	Am Ind	Other	Male	Female	White	Am Ind	Other
Gender	2,828	2,811	4,766	848	25	453,738	456,634	829,147	58,167	23,058
Race	0-4	5-9	10-13	14-17	<18	0-4	5-9	10-13	14-17	<18
Age	282	402	387	399	1,470	53,422	56,893	52,324	56,138	218,777
	18-24	25-44	45-64	65+	18+	18-24	25-44	45-64	65+	18+
	434	1,203	1,498	1,034	4,169	93,543	235,792	238,475	123,785	691,595
	Total Population: 5,639					Total Population: 910,372				
Educational Attainment of the Population 25 years or Older ¹	HS Graduate (or GED)		Bachelor Degree			HS Graduate (or GED)		Bachelor Degree		
	87%		21%			87%		24%		
Full- and Part-time Employment, by Industry (three largest)	Largest industries and percent of all jobs					Largest industries and percent of all jobs				
	Farm (30.3%) State and local government (14.2%) Retail trade (8.3%)					Retail trade (12.4%) State and local government (12%) Health care/social assistance (10.5%)				
(Notable others ≥ 10% of all jobs)	None					None				
Unemployment Rate ³	2.5%					4.7%				
Median Household Income ¹	\$29,150					\$33,024				
Per Capita Income ⁴	\$22,081					\$24,831				
Percent of Population Below the Federal Poverty Level (FPL) ¹ :	All ages		<18	18+	65+	All ages		<18	18+	65+
by Age Group	20.5%		30%	17%	8%	14.6%		19%	13%	9%
by Income as a Percent of FPL	50%	100%	150%	200%		50%	100%	150%	200%	
	8%	20.5%	33%	47%		6%	14.6%	26%	37%	
Percent of Population with Health Care Costs covered by a Government Payor	Medicaid		Medicare			Medicaid		Medicare		
	7.6%		18.4%			12.3%		15.4%		
Percent of Persons 21 Years and Older with a Disability (number) ¹	21 - 64		65 and older			21 - 64		65 and older		
	15% (445)		36% (328)			17% (85,337)		40% (45,284)		
Live Births per 1,000 Population ⁵	7.9 (n = 217)					12.2 (n = 54,508)				
Deaths per 1,000 Population ⁵	11.1 (n = 308)					9.1 (n = 40,837)				
Median Age:	Male	Fem	White	Am Ind	All	Male	Fem	White	Am Ind	All
by Gender, Race ¹	39.0	39.7	43.0	17.2	39.3	36.6	38.5	38.8	24.4	37.5
at Death ⁵	79	85	83	64	82	75	81	79	62	78
(number of deaths)	(156)	(152)	(299)	(9)	(308)	(20,806)	(20,028)	(38,716)	(1,958)	(40,837)

¹ Census 2000.

² 2002 Census Bureau estimate.

³ 2003 MT Dept. Labor & Industry.

⁴ 2002 U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis.

⁵ 1998-2002, Office of Vital Statistics, DPHHS.

COUNTY HEALTH PROFILE
October 2004

HEALTH STATUS INDICATORS	Chouteau			Montana				
	Teen	All Women		Teen	All Women			
Fertility Rates (teen births per 1,000 teen females; all births per 1,000 females of childbearing age) ⁶	14.9 (n=16)	44.8 (n=217)		36.2 (n=6,357)	59.5 (n=54,508)			
Prenatal Care (percent beginning care in the first trimester; percent receiving adequate, i.e., early and continuous prenatal care) ⁶	1 st Trimester	Adequacy		1 st Trimester	Adequacy			
	88.5%	65.7%		82.8%	73.2%			
Percent Low Birthweight (below 5 lbs. 8 oz.) ⁶	6.9%			6.8%				
Infant Mortality (deaths per 1,000 live births) ⁶	0.0			6.8				
Cancer Incidence Rate (diagnoses per 100,000 population) ⁷	441.8 (95% C.I. ±68.4)			474.3 (95% C.I. ±6.2)				
Leading Causes of Death ⁶	1. HEART DISEASE 2. CANCER 3. CLRD			1. HEART DISEASE 2. CANCER 3. CEREBROVASCULAR DISEASE				
Heart Disease Death Rate (per 100,000 population) ⁶	347.3 (n=96)			221.2 (n=9,913)				
<i>Age-adjusted</i> Heart Disease Death Rate ⁶	248.3			203.4				
Motor Vehicle Accident Death Rate (per 100,000 population) ⁶	21.7 (n=6)			24.5 (n=1,097)				
Suicide Rate (per 100,000 population) ⁶	3.6 (n=1)			18.5 (n=830)				
Traumatic Injury Death Rate (per 100,000 population) ⁶	21.7 (n=6)			55.6 (n=2,490)				
Percent of Motor Vehicle Crashes Involving Alcohol	9.9% (n=46)			9.8% (n=10,833)				
Percent of the Medicaid Population Receiving Mental Health Services (FY2003)	11.3%			17.7%				
Percent of 2-yr. Olds Seen by a Health Care Provider that are Fully Immunized (2003)	100% (n=21)			90% (n=2,439)				
STD Incidence Rate (reported cases per 100,000)	28.9 (n=8)			207.0 (n=9,277)				
HEALTH RESOURCE ASSESSMENT, 2002	Chouteau			Montana				
Local Hospitals, Critical Access Hospitals (CAH), and Total Number of Beds	Local Hospitals	CAH	# beds	Local Hospitals	CAH	# beds		
	0	2	15	21 local; 2 psychiatric; 1 VA	40	2,902		
Rural Health Clinics, Community Health Centers, and IHS-Tribal Health Facilities (number)	RHC	CHC	IHS-Tribal	RHC	CHC	IHS-Tribal		
	2	0	0	40	20	14		
Availability of Basic and Enhanced 9-1-1 Services	Basic + Enhanced			Basic-all counties; Enhanced-21 counties				
Availability of Emergency Medical Services:	#	Chouteau County Locations						
Basic Life Support Services	3	Big Sandy, Ft Benton, Geraldine						
Advanced Life Support Services	1	Ft Benton						
Nursing Homes (number of facilities and beds)	2 (67 beds)			100 (7,374 beds)				
Aging Services: number of Assisted Living Facilities [ALF], Adult Foster Care [AFC], and Adult Day Care [ADC] Licenses	ALF (# beds)	AFC	ADC	ALF (# beds)	AFC	ADC		
	2 (13)	0	1	174 (3,597)	119	63		
Home Care Services: number of Home Health Agency [HHA] and Hospice Licenses	HHA	Hospice		HHA	Hospice			
	3	0		76	31			
Public Health Resources: number of full-time equivalent Public Health Nurses [PHN], Registered Sanitarians [RS], Registered Dietitians [RD], and Health Educators [HlthEd]	PHN	RS	RD	HlthEd	PHN	RS	RD	HlthEd
	0.6	0.2	0	0	124.4	84.5	14.0	41.3
Primary Care Provider Resources: number of doctors [MDs and DOs], Nurse Midwives [NMW], Nurse Practitioners [NP], and Physician's Assistants [PA-C]	MD/DO	NMW	NP	PA-C	MD/DO	NMW	NP	PA-C
	2	0	5	0	881	34	314	264
Dental Resources: Dentists and Dental Hygienists	1 dentists		1 hygienists		505 dentists		437 hygienists	
Health Care Provider Shortage Status:	Federal HPSA: Low income pop. - Big Sandy, Ft Benton, Geraldine CCDs							
Health Professional Shortage Areas [HPSA]	Mental Health HPSA: Yes				Dental HPSA: All			
Medically Underserved Areas or Populations [MUA/MUP]	MUA/MUP: All							

⁶ 1998-2002, Office of Vital Statistics, DPHHS.

⁷ 1998-2002, age-adjusted, Montana Tumor Registry, DPHHS.